

Five Laws of Disciple Making

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I. Introduction.

II. Truth.

- A. Truth is the foundation of what appears to be.
- B. Today, the only absolute is that there are no absolutes.
- C. Jesus and the Bible are truth—we have no basis for separating them. (John 17; 12:48)
- D. God reveals truth in His Son and in His Word. (Psalm 57:3, John 1:14)
- E. Men either receive or reject truth. (II Thessalonians 2:10, Romans 1:18, John 18:37, I Peter 1:22)

III. The five laws of disciple making.

- A. Create an atmosphere that optimizes the possibility of personal discovery of the truth. (II Kings 6:15-17)
 - 1. If men and women will become disciples of Jesus, it will be because God will reveal Himself to them.
 - 2. If there is no self-discovery then one will tire of this program. (Galatians 3:21)
- B. Give the disciple opportunities for exposure to the truth commensurate with his capacity to comprehend. (Isaiah 28:9-10)
 - 1. Take in as much as sufficient. (John 16:12)
 - 2. Keep in mind a person's capacity.
- C. Truth is best communicated by both precept and example simultaneously. (I Thessalonians 1:5-6)
- D. The target of truth is the conscience and not merely the intellect. We must be careful not to be "junior Holy Spirits." (II Corinthians 3, I Timothy 1:5)
- E. The ultimate confidence of the disciple maker is in the Holy Spirit and truth.
 - 1. The ultimate confidence is not to be in one's gifts and talents. (Acts 20)

2. We cannot do anything against the truth. (II Corinthians 13:8)

Application questions:

1. How can one create an atmosphere of self-discovery?

2. Why can too much information be a bad thing?

3. Which "law" do you think is the most important for disciple making? Explain.
